GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
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CAPACITY OF STEEL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether many steel plants in the country have exceeded their rated capacity during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether many steel plants are facing problems relating to storage and liquidate the finished goods; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regards?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a)&(b): Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has reported that two of their steel plants, namely, Bhilai Steel Plant and Vishvesvaraya Iron and Steel Plant have exceededtheir rated capacities in respect of saleable steel during the year 2001-02. Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) has also reported that production of hot metal, liquid steel and saleable steel by their plants exceeded their respective rated capacities during the year 2001-02. Details in this regard are given below:

SAIL (Unit : Thousand tonnes)

Plant	Rated Capacity	Production
Bhilai Steel Plant	3153	3383
Vishvesvaraya Iron and Steel Plant	77	88

RINL (Unit : Thousand tonnes)

Item	Rated Capacity	Production
Hot metal	3400	3486
Liquid steel	3000	3083
Saleable steel	2656	2757

(c) SAIL and RINL have not recently reported any instance of facing problems related to storage and sale of the finished goods.

(d) Does not arise